EVENT DESCRIPTION SHEET

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PROJECT	
Participant:	Somnakuno Drom Roma Noi Civil Egyesulet (Somnakuno)
PIC number:	880440968
Project name and acronym:	Kethane – Together: European Network for Roma Inclusion and Building Intercultural Understanding, KethaNETWORK

EVENT DESCRIPTION	
Event number:	WP11
Event name:	International Event
Type:	World caffe
In situ/online:	in-situ
Location:	Nagykálló, Hungary
Date(s):	2026.08.28-29-30
Website(s) (if any):	Social Media Link: EDS Published link:
Participants	
Female:	39
Male:	22
Non-binary:	
From country 1 Hungary:	49
From country 2 Portugalia :	1
From country 3 Serbia:	2

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From country 4 Greece	3		
From country 5 Slovakia	2		
From country 6 Romania	2		
From country 7 Ukraine	2		
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Total number of participants:	61	From total number of countries:	7

Description

Provide a short description of the event and its activities.

The WP11 International Event of the KethaNETWORK project was implemented in Nagykálló, Hungary, between 28 and 30 August 2026 as an in-situ transnational programme bringing together 61 participants from seven European countries.

The event involved participants from Hungary, Portugal, Serbia, Greece, Slovakia, Romania and Ukraine and strengthened direct cooperation between the international partnership, local Roma communities, civil society organisations, professionals and institutional stakeholders.

The programme connected the knowledge and experience generated through the project's local intercultural awareness activities and Roma representation forums with direct community-based learning and transnational exchange.

Following the arrival of the international delegations on 28 August, the main working programme on 29 August started with a field-based introduction to Nagykálló and the surrounding area, including local Roma communities and segregated neighbourhoods.

The field programme enabled participants to discuss local social realities, territorial inequalities, community needs, access to services and development challenges through direct observation and dialogue with local actors. The programme also included visits to the grave of the Wonder Rabbi in Nagykálló, the Shrine of the Weeping Virgin Mary in Máriapócs, and Biri and the Lónyay Manor, connecting social learning with the cultural, religious and historical diversity of the region. The international participants subsequently visited the Somnakuno Drom Community Centre, where the organisation presented its grassroots activities, staff and community-based work with the local Roma population.

The "Somnakuno Drom in Action" programme provided an opportunity to observe an early childhood development and pedagogical session implemented with local Roma children and their families. The demonstrated methodology combined early childhood development with Roma identity, traditions, origin narratives, creative learning and the development of children's vocabulary, motor and cognitive skills. Interpretation support facilitated inclusive participation and professional exchange between international partners, local professionals and community members throughout the programme.

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The public International Intercultural Evening was organised at the Nagykálló Jewish COmmunity House (Nagykállói Zarándokház), Nagybalkányi út 13,Nagykálló, providing a shared space for intercultural dialogue, community engagement and professional networking.

The evening brought together members of the international consortium with local Roma and non-Roma residents, members of the local and regional Jewish community, educators, civil society representatives, professionals and representatives of public institutions.

The programme combined the presentation of traditional Hungarian Roma cuisine and culture with a shared dinner, community interaction and professional exchange on local Roma realities. A moderated round-table discussion enabled partner organisations to present experiences from their respective countries and exchange perspectives on Roma participation and representation, intercultural awareness, community engagement and institutional cooperation. Cultural interaction became an additional instrument of intercultural learning, with Greek, Slovak and Hungarian participants joining local Roma musicians and sharing different Roma musical traditions in a common community setting.

On 30 August, the programme continued with a facilitated project evaluation and strategic planning session involving representatives of the participating partner organisations. The joint reflection addressed the project phases and activities already implemented, the next steps of KethaNETWORK, participants' experiences of the Nagykálló meeting and potential areas for future joint initiatives. Partners reviewed experiences and good practices generated through the intercultural awareness trainings and Roma Rights and Representation Forums and discussed how the tested approaches could contribute to further methodological development and transnational cooperation.

The evaluation process also supported forward planning concerning the joint methodological handbook, future mobility and study activities, communication actions, continued partner cooperation and potential follow-up initiatives. Overall, the WP11 International Event transformed the project's previous local and online cooperation into direct transnational and community-based learning, strengthened links between Roma communities, civil society, institutional stakeholders and international partners, and established a professional basis for the next stages and longer-term sustainability of the KethaNETWORK cooperation.

HISTORY OF CHANGES		
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